

MR. WELLER COMBATS REPEAL OF EXEMPTIONS

Strong Reasons Advanced
for Present Law.

CEMETERIES AND EMBASSIES

He Denies the Government Encroaches
Upon the District in Acquir-
ing Property.

The East Washington Citizens' Association, at its regular monthly meeting held last evening at 314 Pennsylvania Avenue southeast, gave every evidence of being in favor of the present tax exemption laws in force in the District. The only reason the opinion of the association was not made a matter of record was because there was no formal resolution upon which to vote.

Several weeks ago the Northeast Washington Citizens' Association adopted a resolution recommending that all property in the District, except that owned by the Government, should be required to pay taxes. The idea was then expressed that religious, charitable, and other organizations were taking advantage of the tax exemption laws, and the District officers were being defrauded out of considerable much-needed revenue.

A copy of this resolution was forwarded to the East Washington Citizens' Association, with a request that the latter organization endorse it. The matter was brought up at the last meeting, but because of the absence of M. I. Weller, chairman of the committee on taxation, discussion was deferred until last evening. Mr. Weller explained that he was not ready to present a formal report, but desired to bring several facts to the attention of the members of the association. The tax exemption resolution was analyzed from preamble to conclusion, and its defects and unreasonable features pointed out.

A Popular Idea.

Mr. Weller specially attacked a statement contained in the resolution to the effect that the General Government is constantly encroaching upon the District in the matter of acquiring property. This statement was declared to be incorrect, and the defense offered that whatever the General Government acquired was amply compensated for. Mr. Weller argued that to abolish the tax exemption law would mean to compel foreign embassies to pay revenues to the United States for buildings occupied for diplomatic purposes only, a proceeding which he declared to be contrary to all custom, law, and propriety. Other institutions which the speaker said would have to pay taxes were churches, orphan asylums, homes for the sick and aged, and finally, cemeteries. "No serious minded man would recommend that cemeteries be taxed," said Mr. Weller.

A resolution incorporating practically all the contentions made by Mr. Weller, will be drafted and presented at the January meeting of the association for action.

For East Washington.

The chairman of the committee on streets and alleys reported that a letter had been received from the District Commissioners setting forth that the estimate for street improvements has been completed, and that it includes a request to Congress for appropriation for improvements in East Washington as follows:

Northeast—First Street, from New York Avenue to Florida Avenue; Sixth Street, from D to F Street; G Street, from Fourth to Ninth Street, and Seventh Street, from Maryland Avenue to H Street.

Southeast—M Street, from South Capitol to Eleventh Street; Ninth Street, from M to N Street, and Eleventh Street, from G to I Street.

The secretary also read a reply from the East Washington Heights Citizens' Association to a request made by the East Washington Association that the former change its name to avoid confusing the two bodies. The letter said the East Washington Heights organization could see no reason for the change of name, as the two could very easily be distinguished.

THUGS QUICKLY CAUGHT.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 4.—George Steadman, cashier of the Wendell Hotel here, was robbed of \$30 as he closed the cafe. The robbers told him which Steadman carried in a cigar box. The thugs were later captured at Rosensaler.

TRIPLETS; ONE DIES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Mrs. William Cheseman, of Passaic, is the proud mother of triplets, who were born yesterday. One of the babies died soon after birth, but the others are exceptionally strong.

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People go along for years suffering with piles. They try this and that and the other thing from carrying a buckeye to getting treatment from a physician. They obtain temporary relief, maybe, but they are never cured. A little strain in lifting, excessive fatigue, a little constipation, or a little diarrhoea and the piles come back. They don't seem to amount to much, but they banish sleep and appetite. No position is comfortable. There is a constant local pain and that dreadful feeling of weight in the perineum.

Maybe in the early stages some of the many salves on sale will afford temporary relief. If the case is of long standing there is only one speedy and sure remedy. It is Pyramid Pile Cure. Even in light cases it is the safest thing to use. Other applications may cure and may not. Pyramid Pile Cure is always certain, always reliable, always brings comfort at once. Its prompt use saves months of severe suffering. In extreme cases it will save surgical operations, and their attendant dangers and discomforts. It is better than a knife. It cures easier, quicker, and safer. Thousands have used it. Thousands have been cured by it. The cost is trifling compared with what it does. The price is 50 cents. Most anybody would gladly pay \$10 to be rid of piles.

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WILLIAM HENRY WELSH SUCCUMBS TO CANCER

Was Private Secretary to
James Buchanan.

BEGAN PHILADELPHIA TIMES

Office Was Surrounded by Howling
Mobs in the Stormy Days of
the Civil War.

William Henry Welsh, formerly of Washington, D. C., died suddenly at the home of his son-in-law, George Buchanan Fife, 216 West 102d Street, New York.

Mr. Welsh was born at York, Pa., on February 23, 1828, the son of Henry Welsh, who was a banker at York. He was graduated from Princeton in 1847 and studied law in the office of Simon Cameron. In 1852 he became an attaché of the United States legation at the Court of St. James as private secretary to James Buchanan. Gen. Daniel E. Sickles was secretary of the legation. In London Mr. Welsh became intimate with Thackeray, Dickens, Bulwer-Lytton, Richard Cobden, Charlotte Cushman and George Peabody. A notable incident of his stay there was his appearance at the Queen's drawing room in March 1854, with Minister Buchanan. Both wore the ordinary black clothes prescribed for evening wear at the time rather than the plush and velvet court costumes, and great was the talk thereof.

Mr. Welsh returned to this country in 1855 and was elected to the Pennsylvania senate. In 1858 he became its presiding officer, and he remained in the senate until 1861. In 1856 he had become one of the proprietors of the "York Gazette," and in 1863 he founded the "Philadelphia Age," afterwards the "Philadelphia Times." As the head of that paper, which was a strong Democratic organ in a strong Republican and Union city, Mr. Welsh was noted for his attacks on "the arbitrary and illegal methods of the Federal Government." His office was surrounded by mobs several times, but he ran his paper according to his own ideas until the war was over.

In 1876 he went to Baltimore, where he became the owner and editor of the "Gazette" of that city. In 1881 he relinquished his paper and went to Washington, where he lived until the death, a year ago, of his wife, who was Miss Sallie A. Wickes. He leaves three sons, William H., Joseph W., and George P. Welsh, and a daughter, Mrs. Fife.

Charles W. Petersen.

Charles W. Petersen, for many years a clerk in the War Department and to whose house President Lincoln was carried after his assassination in Ford's Theater, died suddenly of heart disease at his home in this city in the fifth year of his age.

Mr. Petersen was one of the audience in Ford's Theater witnessing the production of "Our American Cousin" when President Lincoln was shot. His home was directly opposite the theater, and his suggestion that the dying President be carried there was immediately accepted. Lincoln was carried to Petersen's own room, where he died.

Petersen afterwards sold the house, and for years it has been used as a private museum for the display of Lincoln relics. Some years ago the house and relics were acquired by the Lincoln Memorial and the Oldroyd collection of Lincoln relics was added.

The Rev. J. S. Lindsay.

The funeral of the Rev. John Sumner Lindsay, D. D., LL. D., who for fifteen years was rector of St. Paul's Episcopal parish in Boston, was held yesterday, attended by several bishops and hundreds of priests and prominent laymen. Representatives of the national triennial convention of the Episcopal Church and of other churches, and of several civic organizations of which Dr. Lindsay was a member, also were present. The funeral ritual was read by the Right Rev. William Lawrence, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts, assisted by the Rev. Edward Tillotson, curate of St. Paul's. Twenty-four of the most prominent clergy in the diocese were pallbearers.

Dr. Lindsay, before going to Boston, was rector of churches in Virginia, his native State; Washington, D. C., and Bridgeport, Conn. For two years he was chaplain of the National House of Representatives. He was twice elected a bishop, but declined to accept on each occasion.

Christian G. Petersen.

Christian George Petersen, for twenty-five years imperial vice-consul for Russia, died in the Seney Hospital, Brooklyn, in his sixty-sixth year, of a cancer, which was born in Denmark, and came to this country in 1844 with his parents. For a time he was a newspaper correspondent in Havana. When the civil war broke out he went with the Seventh Regiment to the defense of Washington. Two Czars decorated him, as did also the King of Greece. He was also prominent in athletics, and served for several terms on the national committee of the Amateur Athletic Union of America. He was a member of the New York Athletic Club, the New York Yacht Club, Lafayette Post of the G. A. R., Kane Lodge, No. 454 of the Masonic order, and an honorary member of many athletic clubs in various cities.

Bishop Abiel Leonard.

Bishop Abiel Leonard, head of the Episcopal Church in Utah and Nevada, died in Salt Lake City of typhoid fever, aged fifty-five years.

Mrs. Helen Douglass.

Funeral services of Mrs. Helen Douglass, widow of the late Frederick Douglass, will be held at the home, Cedar Hill, Anacostia, D. C., tomorrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Interment will be at Rochester, N. Y.

H. August Wagner.

The funeral of H. August Wagner took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Services were held over the remains in Oak Hill Chapel, Thirtieth and U Streets northwest, the Rev. Stanley Billheimer, pastor of the West Washington Evangelical Lutheran Church, corner Thirtieth and Q Streets northwest, officiating. The interment was made in Oak Hill Cemetery, the services at the grave being conducted by Hermione Lodge, of Knights of Pythias, of which lodge Mr. Wagner was past chancellor.

ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 4.—The city school board held its regular meeting at its rooms in the Peabody Building last night. In the absence of the president, ex-Mayor L. H. Thompson was called to the chair, and Trustees Yates, Bryant, Carne, Stabler, Jones, and Swamy were present. In the absence of the superintendent, who is in Richmond, the clerk said that it was Mr. Kemper's desire that the Christmas holidays in the schools should begin on the evening of Wednesday, December 23, and that the schools should reopen again on Monday, January 4, 1904. This holiday was agreed upon by the board.

The clerk announced that the Sharps and Flats Musical Association, in appreciation of the kindness of the board in giving it hall, rent free, for several years, had given to the schools seven sets of wall maps, and that John Herndon had presented three atlases of the Philippine Islands. The thanks of the board were returned for these gifts. The superintendent was authorized to purchase for 8 cents each twenty-three wall maps of the State of Virginia, and an appropriation of \$10 for the purpose was made. A number of bills for supplies were reported by the finance committee and ordered to be paid. The board then adjourned. Time of session, 15 minutes.

CAPT. JACKSON'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Capt. John H. Jackson will take place from his late home, 809 King Street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Clarence Ernest Ball, pastor of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, will conduct the funeral services, and the pallbearers will be Frank Marbury, Carroll Ashby, Edward Willis, Samuel H. Hunt, Frank Harper, of this city, and Mr. McNear, of Washington. Interment will be in the Methodist Protestant Cemetery.

THE NEWS OF GEORGETOWN

RUN OVER BY WAGON.

Johnnie Parkhurst, a six-year-old white boy, is lying in a critical condition at the Georgetown University Hospital, suffering from injuries received Wednesday afternoon, near the corner of Thirty-fourth and F Streets, by being run over by a delivery wagon of Stohman, the baker and confectioner. The little fellow sustained a broken collarbone and several broken ribs, besides receiving a number of cuts and bruises about the face and head. The rear wheel of the wagon passed diagonally across the boy's body. His condition this morning was reported to be somewhat improved, though there is still danger of fatal results.

Though eyewitnesses to the accident say the driver of the wagon was in no way responsible for the accident, Mr.

NEWS FROM BOYDS.

(Special to The Washington Times.)
BOYDS, Md., Dec. 4.—A pretty wedding took place at Buck Lodge, near Boyds, last night, which was witnessed by a number of friends of both bride and groom from the vicinity. The contracting parties were Yandell L. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnson, and Francis E. Fraley, of Derwood, this county. The Rev. Robert L. McNair, officiated.

The ceremony took place in the parlor, which was profusely decorated with evergreens, bowers, and ferns. After the ceremony a collation was served. The bride and groom then departed for the East on a wedding tour. They will reside at Derwood, where Mr. Fraley is engaged in farming.

A thief entered the home of James W. Darby, proprietor of the large flouring plant at Buck Lodge, and stole \$30 from the pockets of his son, Reginald Darby.

From Poolesville a lengthy petition, containing over 115 names, will be sent to the Montgomery county delegation in the house of delegates, asking it to support the Hon. Isidor Rayner for the United States Senate.

PRETTY SCHOOL TEACHER

KISSED AGAINST WILL

Miss Sullivan Accuses Deputy Sheriff. H Gets Three Months.

WOODMERE, L. I., Dec. 4.—Deputy Sheriff Louis L. Cook, of this place, was convicted today by a jury of six on the charge of assault made by Mary Sullivan, a pretty school teacher. Justice William Jay sentenced Cook to three months' imprisonment.

Many cannot believe the story of the assault, as Cook has had a good character. It was charged by Miss Sullivan that while in a carriage with the sheriff he put his arms around her and kissed her against her will. She was on her way home on her bicycle when the machine broke, and she was walking along the road about 2 o'clock when Cook offered to drive her home. She gladly accepted the offer. The case will be appealed.

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BRITISH TRADE AGENT WARNS MANUFACTURERS

"America on Verge of Overproduction,
and Surplus Will Be Shipped
at Reduced Prices."

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The official board of trade journal publishes a report from Mr. Bell, British commercial agent in the United States, warning manufacturers here that it is inevitable that there will be overproduction in the United States shortly, when the Americans will export their surplus production at a reduced price in order to keep their works running and maintain prices in the home market.

He says that everything points to the probability of the dumping process being carried out to a greater extent than hitherto.

He emphasizes the success of the Americans in obtaining trade in the British possessions, remarking that although the gross exports from the United States fell off 4.6 per cent in 1902, the exports to the British colonies increased 17.6, while the exports of Great Britain to her colonies increased only 15 per cent.

Prominence is given the report by the fact of reform newspapers, which print it as a strong argument in favor of protection.

SUES FOR TUG'S LOSS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The owners of the tug Idlewild, which was sunk Tuesday by the tug Hercules, three men being drowned, have filed the Hercules in \$30,000. They charge that the collision was due to negligence on the part of the Hercules.

DELAWAREANS OPPOSED TO WHIPPING POST

Prison Conference in Wilmington
Adopts Condemnatory Resolution.
Terrors Exaggerated.

WILMINGTON, Dec. 4.—Post and pillory as methods of punishment have been condemned by the prison conference which is being held in this city, under the auspices of the philanthropy committee of the New Century Club. Statistics were presented by Chief Warden A. S. Meserve, of the New Castle county workhouse, showing that the stocks and post have not the terror for criminals that is generally supposed. He said:

"Since November 22, 1901, fifty-four men have been whipped the second time, fourteen the third time, four the fourth time, and one the fifth time, at least. This, I am sure, is nowhere near the full number, for the convicts come back under assumed names, and in many instances I am unable to tell if they have previously been punished."

Dr. F. H. Vines, president of the Prisoners' Aid Society, stoutly opposes the post and pillory, and severely condemns the prison laws of this State.

The following has been adopted: "That this body sustain the workhouse trustees in any efforts that they may deem expedient for the abolition or regulation of the use of such methods of punishment as post and pillory, especially in regard to the publicity of the scenes of the post, believing such are pernicious and harmful to those who witness them."

"That this meeting endorse the law favoring the indeterminate sentence of prisoners."

"That Kent and Sussex counties be urged to secure a law which will permit them to commit their long-term prisoners to the New Castle County Workhouse."

ANTI-DIVORCE MOVEMENT MAY GAIN FOLLOWERS

Other Denominations Expected to Join
With Episcopalians in Refusing to
Marry Divorcees.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Opposition to Christian ministers solemnizing the marriage of divorced persons is extending to such an extent that the Protestant Episcopal Church committee on the subject is receiving assurances of co-operation from other denominations.

Support was first pledged to the movement in a meeting held ten days ago in St. Bartholomew's Parish House, at which were present delegates representing the Protestant Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist, United Presbyterian, Unitarian, Congregational, and Lutheran churches.

The secretary was instructed to send invitations to other religious bodies to join in the crusade, and it is expected that at the next meeting, on February 10, at least twenty religious denominations will be represented.

CONFEDERACY DAUGHTERS APPLAUD THE PRESIDENT

Dispatches from Houston, Tex., say the Texas Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy have adopted resolutions thanking the President because he "has shown to the world his indorsement of the principle of secession," by his course toward Panama.

The resolutions say the people of the North, by their approval of his course, "have shown that they have been led by him out of the fog of ignorance to the bright realm of truth attained by Southern statesmen so many years ago."

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